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N.J. BOARD OF NURSING

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE

APPLICATION OF

JESSENIA JORO 144400

TO PRACTICE AS A

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE IN THE :

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of Jessenia Toro's application for licensure by examination. Upon review of the application and the results of the Criminal History Background Check it was ascertained that Ms. Toro had indicated on her application that she had never been charged

with or convicted of any crime or offense, although she had been arrested for shoplifting on June 27, 2008 and convicted on July 30, 2008 of a local ordinance violation. Ms. Toro had also been arrested for tampering with physical evidence on September 9, 2012, and was convicted of a local ordinance violation of November 6, 2013. Ms. Toro claimed that she indicated "no" in response to the question(s) about her arrest/conviction history because she believed that it was the proper response since she had not been convicted of the offense(s) she was charged with, and had paid the fines and received the "disposition letters" from the municipality which had dealt with the offenses. Ms. Toro also claimed she had contacted a number for assistance and a representative, whose name she could not recall, told her to indicate "no."

The Board finds that respondent knew or should have known that by indicating "no" in response to the question as to whether she had ever been charged with any crime or offense, or convicted of any crime or offense, she was providing inaccurate information. Consequently, the Board finds that the applicant engaged in misrepresentation on the application in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board notes that the applicant has indicated remorse in connection with the conduct that resulted in her convictions, and that Ms. Toro has indicated that she has learned to be "a better person" through the experience. Accordingly, the Board finding that

the within order is sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 3vd day of July , 2014
HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Ms. Toro's application for licensure is hereby granted upon receipt of documentation that she has passed the requisite examination.
- 2. A civil penalty in the amount of \$500 is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and shall be submitted simultaneously with this signed order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Bv:

Patricia Murphy, PhD, APRN

President

I have read and understood the above order and agree

to its berms.

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